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TA MacIver,

I am submitting this proposal for the replacement of Unit 7 (2016 Ford SUV) within the fleet. As you, and the BOS, are aware, Officer Donald Morse was struck by an oncoming vehicle on the Calef Highway. This resulted in Unit 1 (K9) being a complete total. Since we had the foresight last year to order our replacement cruiser early, the decision was made to move the K9 into the 2021 Ford SUV that we, hopefully, will receive in March. Unit 7 was supposed to be replaced with that 2021, which now leaves us accomplishing this task in coordination with Primex and the funds received as a result of the collision.

For ease of reading and transparency, I would like to break this proposal into two portions; vehicle purchase, and outfitting. I feel that this will ease a convoluted process.

Vehicle Purchase:

Having researched our options, BPD would propose the purchase of a 2021 Dodge Durango to replace Unit 7. Our reasons involve the following: Chevrolet is no longer taking orders for SUV packages. Ford has not announced their cut-off date, but it is anticipated to be soon with an increase in purchase price. Dodge will no longer be taking orders for SUVs after April 1st. We have also found that the Dodge Durango is less expensive by approximately \$2,000, based on the "frozen" 2020 order pricing which we can't be certain will be available. Ford is poised to increase their SUV pricing to approximately \$35,000. The price to order a 2021 Dodge Durango from Hillsboro Dodge is **\$30,990.00**. The vendor that has the currently has the State Bid is based in CT and has not responded to our request for a purchase price. Based on the number we have reviewed, it would appear their price would be approximately \$30,000. We have sent correspondence to have an exact comparison, but have received no reply.

The replacement value of the totaled K9 Cruiser is \$10650, less the \$1000 deductible, for a total of \$9650. Primex advised that they would be pursuing the deductible as well, but, if received, it would be paid at a later date. Maximum liability for purchase based on these numbers is as follows:

\$30,990.00-\$9,650=\$21,340

I would request that we utilize the "Police Special Detail" fund to pay the remaining balance for the purchase. In this manner, there will be no impact to the taxpayers. Information regarding the current balance can be found at the bottom of the following page.

Vehicle Equipment:

The Barrington Police Department purchased the majority of the equipment to outfit the 2021 Ford SUV last year. This equipment will still be utilized for that purpose, with the addition of a kennel insert which has been covered by Primex. NEVO, the vendor utilized to outfit our cruisers, is currently crediting us \$2,400 (partitions and barriers for the rear seat) which would be utilized to buy identical equipment for the 2021 Dodge Durango. The proposed total to outfit the Durango is **\$8,678.00**. This total includes all associated expenditures with NEVO and Mike's Sign/Design (lettering the exterior). This total does not include \$6,215.85 to outfit the cruiser with Patrol PC technology due to the fact that Unit 7 currently does not have one.

According to PRIMEX and our equipment contractor, the equipment damaged in the accident is valued at \$5,903.00. This includes labor. The damaged equipment will be depreciated by \$1,051.25 (per Primex). Thus, the total the Town of Barrington can expect for equipment replacement is **\$4,851.75**.

The total cost to the Town will be: **$\$8,678.00 - \$4,851.75 = \$3,826.25$**

The Police Department would also request to utilize the "Police Special Detail" fund to pay this balance.

The total we would ask to withdraw, to complete this project, is **\$25,166.25**.

The current balance of the "Police Special Detail" fund is \$48,497.20 (02/01/2021). By utilizing this funding source, we will have \$23,330.95 remaining, which is more than sufficient to cover ongoing billing. Further, these funds are generated by your officers working outside details and have no impact to taxes whatsoever.